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## REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

To the President of the University:

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith my twenty-first annual report as Registrar of the University. The report covers the academic year 1916-17, including the Summer Session of 1916.

### THE YEAR

	Days in Session	Sun- days	Holi- days	Vaca- tion	Total
First term, Oct. 9-Feb. 14 . . . . .	102	16	1	..	119
First term, vacation, Feb. 15, 16 . . . . .	..	..	..	2	2
Christmas vacation, Dec. 23-Jan. 1 . . . . .	..	..	..	10	10
Second term, Feb. 17-June 27 . . . . .	105	18	1	..	124
Easter vacation, April 5-April 11 . . . . .	..	..	..	7	7
Summer vacation, June 28-July 8 . . . . .	..	..	..	11	11
Summer Session, July 9-Aug. 17 . . . . .	35	5	..	..	40
Summer vacation, Aug. 18-Sept. 23 . . . . .	..	..	..	37	37

Registration dates were postponed on account of epidemic of infantile paralysis.

### STUDENTS

The table given on page 4, which shows the attendance for 1916-17 gives the number of students who have received instruction this year, including those in the 1916 Summer Session, in the 1916 Summer School in Agriculture, those registered up to July 1, 1917, in the 1917 Summer Graduate work, and Third Term Graduate work, in the 1916-17 Winter Courses in Agriculture, and in the Third Term in Agriculture, but excluding duplicates, as 6999.

The accompanying table shows the attendance in each course since the opening of the University in 1868.

### MATRICULATES

The following table shows that 2481 students have registered during the present year for the first time. The table also shows the method of admission. Students entering for the first time in the Summer Session and in the Summer School in Agriculture are not considered as matriculates, but for convenience are listed in this table.

Graduates . . . . .	114	Medical (N. Y. City) . . . . .	70
Advanced standing . . . . .	263	Summer session (1916) . . . . .	607
Regents' credentials . . . . .	544	Summer School in Agr. (1916) . . . . .	173
School certificates . . . . .	605	3d term Grad, after July 1, 1916 . . . . .	1
By examination . . . . .	9	3d Term Agr. to July 1, 1917 . . . . .	2
As special students . . . . .	72	3d Term Graduate to July 1, 1917 . . . . .	8
Coll. Ent Board Exams . . . . .	13		
Total . . . . .			2481

The small number entering by some of the above methods is due to the fact that two or more methods have been combined in a single case, the student, however, being listed in the group to which the major portion of his entrance belongs.

# ATTENDANCE FOR THE YEAR 1916-1917.

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DEPT. & COLL. DEGREES	GRADUATE A.M., Ph.D., M.M.E., Etc.			ARTS AND SCIENCES A.B., B.Chem.			LAW LL.B.			MEDICINE M.D.			AGRICULTURE B.S.			VETERINARY D.V.M.		
CLASSIFICATION	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total
Graduates	402	66	468	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Class of 1921	...	...	...	24	2	26	2	...	2	...	...	...	24	10	34	1	...	1
Class of 1920	...	...	...	324	111	435	83	2	85	57	13	70	308	70	378	34	...	34
Class of 1919	...	...	...	288	99	387	71	3	74	29	10	39	330	64	394	8	...	8
Class of 1918	...	...	...	248	99	347	47	3	50	26	3	29	292	67	359	73	...	73
Class of 1917	...	...	...	207	71	278	38	1	39	24	4	28	260	58	318	40	...	40
Specials	...	...	...	6	4	10	4	1	5	36	3	39	52	30	82	1	...	1
Totals	402	66	468	1097	386	1483	245	10	255	172	33	205	1266	299	1565	157	...	157
Duplicates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Net total	402	66	468	1097	386	1483	245	10	255	172	33	205	1266	299	1565	157	...	157
Third Term Grad.	62	3	65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Third Term Agr.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	10	43	...	...	...
Short Winter Agr.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	261	21	282	...	...	...
Summer (1916)	28	28	56	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	492	97	589	1097	386	1483	245	10	255	172	33	205	1560	330	1890	157	...	157
Duplicates	80	31	111	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	34	9	43	...	...	...
Net Totals	412	66	478	1097	386	1483	245	10	255	172	33	205	1526	321	1847	157	...	157

DEPT. & COLL. DEGREES	ARCHITECTURE B.ARCH.			CIVIL ENG. C.E.			MECH. ENG. M.E.			SUMMER SESSION 1916			SUMMER SCHOOL IN AGR. 1916			TOTAL		
CLASSIFICATION	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total	Men	Women	Total
Graduates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	402	66	468
Class of 1921	8	...	8	32	...	32	94	1	95	...	...	...	...	...	...	185	13	198
Class of 1920	43	2	45	89	...	89	240	...	240	...	...	...	...	...	...	1178	198	1376
Class of 1919	35	1	36	100	...	100	242	1	243	...	...	...	...	...	...	1103	178	1281
Class of 1918	37	...	37	69	...	69	177	...	177	...	...	...	...	...	...	969	172	1141
Class of 1917	33	2	35	116	...	116	189	...	189	...	...	...	...	...	...	907	136	1043
Specials	5	2	7	3	...	3	11	...	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	118	40	158
Totals	161	7	168	409	...	409	953	2	955	...	...	...	...	...	...	4862	803	5665
Duplicates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	101	15	116
Net total	161	7	168	409	...	409	953	2	955	...	...	...	...	...	...	4761	788	5549
Third term Grad	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	62	3	65
Third Term Agr.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	10	43
Short Winter Agr.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	261	21	282
Summer (1916)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	607	721	1328*	108	274	382*	743	1023	1766
Totals	161	7	168	409	...	409	953	2	955	607	721	1328*	108	274	382*	5860	1845	7705†
Duplicates	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	351	50	401	40	32	72	505	122	627
Net totals	161	7	168	409	...	409	953	2	955	256	671	927	68	242	310	5331	1668	6999††

\*Includes 79 (24 and 55) registered in both Summer Session and Summer Session in Agriculture.

†Excludes 116 duplicates of regular session.

††Excludes 116 duplicates of regular session and 79 registered in Summer Session and Summer Agriculture.



## ADMISSION FROM OTHER COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

The Registrar has charge of all credentials presented by applicants coming from other institutions. This system has given uniformity of action on similar certificates when the applicants enter different colleges at this University.

In the following lists should be included properly a number of cases of special students, who coming from other colleges, would have been eligible for admission to advanced standing. Such students, however, preferred to be admitted as specials. Some later changed to a regular course but are not included in these tables.

The number of students admitted to advanced standing as candidates for the first degree during the past thirty-one years, is, as nearly as may be ascertained, as follows: The former courses in Chemistry, Pharmacy, Medical Preparatory, and Optional have been omitted from the table but the numbers have been retained in the totals:

Year	Arts	Phil.	Let.	Sci.	Agri.	Arch.	Civil Eng.	Mech. Eng.	For- estry	Law*	Vet.	Med.	No. of Cases
1886-87	2	8	1	4	1	4	6	18	..	..	..	..	50
1887-88	6	4	1	1	..	..	11	10	..	..	..	..	37
1888-89	5	..	6	6	1	2	12	21	..	..	..	..	58
1889-90	4	5	6	3	2	1	2	25	..	..	..	..	50
1890-91	8	8	2	4	1	..	14	28	..	..	..	..	65
1891-92	7	9	2	5	2	2	10	52	..	..	..	..	89
1892-93	6	6	1	8	..	6	11	44	..	..	..	..	87
1893-94	5	6	5	8	..	6	6	56	..	..	..	..	94
1894-95	4	2	3	3	2	3	6	44	..	..	..	..	71
1895-96	5	11	4	7	3	3	9	33	..	..	..	..	85
1896-97	10	4	2	4	3	3	11	42	..	12	5	..	100
1897-98	11	6	..	7	9	2	15	41	..	15	1	..	108
1898-99	27	6	1	7	5	3	16	56	2	6	3	2	134
1899-00	28	..	..	1	5	3	25	64	1	7	4	..	138
1900-01	37	..	..	..	4	6	6	64	3	10	2	2	134
1901-02	38	..	..	..	9	2	29	92	5	7	..	2	184
1902-03	33	..	..	..	8	2	24	105	9	12	1	..	194
1903-04	31	..	..	..	9	5	39	112	..	9	1	1	207
1904-05	29	..	..	..	9	5	44	101	..	3	..	..	191
1905-06	39	..	..	..	14	8	36	89	..	1	..	..	187
1906-07	40	..	..	..	19	5	55	86	..	15	..	..	220
1907-08	43	..	..	..	22	10	60	79	..	11	..	..	225
1908-09	37	..	..	..	21	10	53	71	..	5	1	5	203
1909-10	47	..	..	..	41	7	30	88	..	9	..	..	222
1910-11	41	..	..	..	44	8	44	47	..	11	..	..	195
1911-12	36	..	..	..	52	6	38	57	..	7	4	..	200
1912-13	57	..	..	..	76	8	39	44	..	7	1	..	232
1913-14	58	..	..	..	76	5	31	47	..	7	..	..	224
1914-15	70	..	..	..	87	5	42	51	..	7	1	6	269
1915-16	85	..	..	..	94	7	22	53	..	9	4	8	282
1916-17	76	..	..	..	84	9	19	54	..	9	2	10	263

Of the 263 admitted in 1916-17 104 registered as freshmen, 90 as sophomores, 45 as juniors, and 24 as seniors.

During the last thirty-one years there have been admitted from over 500 other institutions of collegiate rank, 4,798 students. The distribution of these students can be seen by reference to the table on page xciii of the Report for the year 1907-08.

\*No data prior to 1896-97.

ADMISSION ON SCHOOL CERTIFICATE, REGENTS' CREDENTIALS, AND EXAMINATIONS

The Registrar has charge of the credentials of those entering by school certificate, by Regents' credentials, and by examinations, including the examinations conducted by the College Entrance Examination Board.

During the last sixteen years the number of applicants admitted by school certificate, by Regents' credentials, and by examinations, has been as follows:

	'01-2	'02-3	'03-4	'04-5	'05-6	'06-7	'07-8	'08-9	'09-10	'10-11	'11-12	'12-13	'13-14	'14-15	'15-16	'16-17
Certificate .....	357	308	315	317	380	324	465	578	574	524	517	601	587	647	683	605
Regents .....	212	219	220	238	233	185	244	287	329	311	420	404	476	494	520	544
Examination .....	39	19	18	27	18	18	41	12	14	8	12	11	6	9	28	9
Coll.Ent.Exam.Bd.	9	11	20	27	29	37	33	23	27	14	18	13	14	27	7	13
N. Y. C. Ex .....	..	..	..	..	..	29	9	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total .....	617	557	573	609	658	584	792	905	944	857	967	1029	1083	1177	1238	1171

DEGREES

The inserted table gives the number admitted to graduation at the 1917 Commencement as well as those of former years. 18,847 degrees have been conferred, but there are some duplicates between the first and second degrees. (One degree (M.D.) was conferred in 1899, but in 1907 was revoked because the candidate declined to accept it. One degree (D.V.M.) was conferred in June, 1905, but owing to a technicality was withdrawn and conferred again June, 1906, while another degree (D.V.M.) was conferred in 1907 but dated as June, 1906. The two degrees (M.D.) listed as February, 1912, were conferred after June, 1911, and before February, 1912, at the dates when the candidates became of proper age. On account of war conditions 17 degrees were conferred on May 1, 1917 and one as of June, 1916. Care has been taken to discriminate between closely allied degrees, but such have been grouped so as to show at a glance the number in each department.

Respectfully submitted,  
DAVID F. HOY,  
Registrar.



## FIRST DEGREES

### ADVANCED DEGREES

[illegible]



TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS IN EACH COURSE SINCE THE OPENING OF THE UNIVERSITY IN 1868

	68-69	69-70	70-71	71-72	72-73	73-74	74-75	75-76	76-77	77-78	78-79	79-80	80-81	81-82	82-83	83-84	84-85	85-86	86-87	87-88	88-89	89-90	90-91	91-92	92-93	93-94	94-95	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	01-02	02-03	03-04	04-05	05-06	06-07	07-08	08-09	09-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16	16-17																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
Graduate School .....				2	6	11	61	13	23	30	21	9	14	22	36	21	33	35	41	52	69	70	84	133	170	240	185	145	161	166	190	174	205	189	201	197	211	232	239	249	310	309	372	383	382	383	394	482	468																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
*Optional Arts and Sciences .....	81	159	164	146	138	133	61	145*	55	62	46	43	30	23	18	59	76	80	133	157	151	110	88	53	46	47	66	77	75		624	631	680	755	831	795	734	684	705	748	820	902	970	1017	1031	1112	1194	1294	1424	1483																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
Arts .....	40	45	41	36	34	27	36	43	33	46	60	69	52	40	33	26	30	33	54	77	98	129	143	171	174	165	152	166	200																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
Literature .....					28	31	26	48	51	36	37	26	25	23	14	7	11	10	82	80	97	117	99	95	82	85	65	50	27																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
Philosophy .....	28	44	37	25			12	17	29	9	23	22	22	17	11	14	23	28	58	67	58	57	77	104	111	121	137	155	157																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
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Science and Letters .....	143	206	228	206	56	122	145	201	147	139	152	130	110	107	109	116	122																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
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Chemistry .....	10	4	8	13	10	10	18	16	12	9	6	2	6	8	8	5	12	11	9	9	23	19	28																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																	
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Agriculture .....	30	24	20	13	15	7	18	17	29	42	41	35	26	17	15	13	20	23	38	45	58	49	52	41	48	45	45	51	68	84	85	88	99	92	114	142	189	230	278	348	415	539	761	967	1263	1462	1670	1704	1565																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
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\*Includes those registered merely "Optional"; e. g. "Optional Agr.", "Sp. Agr.", etc., are counted in the course to which they belong. The classification of "Optionals" was always vague, and this accounts for the sudden fluctuations in that course which appear in the Catalogue.

†Also counted in courses.

\*\*The table for 1916-17 includes the 1916 Summer Session and 1916 Summer School in Agriculture.

†Summer Session of 1892.

††Registration to July 1, 1916.

\*Registration after July 1, 1916 and to July 1, 1917.





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The Annual Register (for the year 1916-17, published January 1, 1917), price 50 cents.

Book of Views, price 25 cents.

Directory of Faculty and Students, Second Term, 1916-17, price 10 cents, and the following informational publications, any one of which will be sent gratis and post-free on request. The date of the last edition of each is given after the title.

General Circular of Information for Prospective Students, December 15, 1916.

Announcement of the College of Arts and Sciences, March 15, 1917.

Announcement of Sibley College of Mechanical Engineering and the Mechanic Arts, January 15, 1917.

Announcement of the College of Civil Engineering, April 15, 1917.

Announcement of the College of Law, May 15, 1917.

Announcement of the College of Architecture, July 1, 1917.

Announcement of the New York State College of Agriculture, June 1, 1917.

Announcement of the Winter Courses in the College of Agriculture, June 15, 1917.

Announcement of the Summer Term in Agriculture, April 1, 1917.

Announcement of the New York State Veterinary College, May 1, 1917.

Announcement of the Graduate School, February 15, 1917.

Announcement of the Summer Session, March 1, 1917.

Annual Report of the President, September 1, 1917.

Annual Report of the Registrar, October 1, 1917.

Pamphlets on prizes, samples of entrance and scholarship examination papers, special departmental announcements, etc.

Announcement of the Medical College may be procured by writing to the Cornell University Medical College, Ithaca, N. Y.